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Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, DC 20231

Re: New U.S. Patent Application - Michel Denis Léon Lesimple

A DRIVING HEAD FOR STIRRER CANS

Sir:

1. Please find enclosed herewith for filing: the specification, claims, combined declaration and power of attorney, and drawings in support of the above identified application.
2. It is respectfully requested that this application be granted the priority date of 8 December 1995, the filing date of the corresponding French patent application 95 14574. A formal petition for grant of priority with the certified copy of said French patent application are enclosed.
3. Also enclosed herewith is an assignment from the inventor Michel Denis Léon Lesimple to Fillon Pichon Societe Anonyme of Route de Houdan, 28210 Faverolles, Eure et Loir, France which you will kindly record at the Patent and Trademark Office.
4. I am enclosing my check in the amount of \$425.00\* to cover the official fees composed of:

Basic fee . . . . . \$385.00\*\*

Additional fees:

Total number of claims in  
excess of 20 times \$ . . . . . \$---

Number of independent claims in  
excess of 3 times \$ . . . . . \$---

Assignment recording fee . . . . . \$ 40.00

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\* It is respectfully requested that, if necessary to effect a timely response, this paper be considered as a Petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response and any fees required or any shortages in any fees be charged to Deposit Account 02-1653.

\*\* Please note that the application qualifies for small entity status pursuant to 37 CFR 1.9(f) and 1.27(a), (b), and (c). One verified statement perfecting this claim is attached.

Respectfully,

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